

APPENDIX A

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date 9/19/88

Full name Paul G. Mathisen
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address [REDACTED]

City Bucyrus State Ohio Zip Code 44820

Date of birth 6/66 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion Lutheran Nationality Caucasian

Occupation _____

Education _____

Weight _____ Height _____ Race _____

Color of hair _____ Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single Single Children None
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name N/A

Scouting connections:

<u>Unit No.</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date registered</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
Troop 60	Bucyrus	Ohio	SM	SM-1987	9/19/88
Special recognition	Eagle Scout			SA-1985	
				Youth-11/78	

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Child Molestation

See attached personal log of incident

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

NOTED

JUN 19 1989

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed

Wayne [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Harding Area Council

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June 26, 1989

Mr. Wayne J. Fowler
Scout Executive
Harding Area Council, No. 443

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Paul G. Mathisen

Dear Wayne:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE

JUN 26 1989

ERIN O'RILEY

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

June 8, 1989

Mr. Paul Ernst
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079


PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Re: Paul Mathisen

Dear Paul:

I am pleased to finally forward the enclosed materials furnished by Jim Slagle, one of our Council Vice-Presidents, and Marion County Prosecutor. This should wrap up the files on Paul Mathisen.

Yours in Scouting,


Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

April 6, 1989

Mr. Wayne J. Fowler
Scout Executive
Harding Area Council, No. 443

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: PAUL G. MATHISEN

Dear Wayne:

I appreciate all the time and effort you have spent on the above named individual's case. I am sorry that these things take so much time.

I would like the outcome of the legal action if this has now been completed. We hope that they will soon resolve this one way or another, so that we have information in our files that would substantiate any refusal of registration in the future.

Thanks for your help in completing this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

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APR 06 1989
ERIN O'RILEY

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COMPLAINT

THE STATE OF OHIO

MORROW

County

ss.

COUNT I

Before me, Lae W. McClelland, Judgeof the County Court of Morrow County, in said County, personally came

(City) (Village) (Township)

Lt. Shirley Murphy, Morrow County Sheriff's Department,who, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that on or about the 10th day of July,19 88, at the County of Morrow, aforesaid, one PAUL GERHARD MATHISEN,[REDACTED] Bucyrus, Ohio (SS# [REDACTED] D/O/B: 6/21/66)

did have sexual contact with [REDACTED] not his spouse, the said [REDACTED] being over twelve but not over fifteen years of age, and Paul Gerhard Mathisen being at least eighteen years of age, and four or more years older than [REDACTED] in violation of \$2907.06, Ohio Revised Code.

Sexual Imposition (M-3)

UNT II: On or about the 10th day of July, 1988, at the County of Morrow, aforesaid, one PAUL GERHARD MATHISEN, did have sexual contact with [REDACTED] not his spouse, the said [REDACTED] being over twelve but not over fifteen years of age, and Paul Gerhard Mathisen being at least eighteen years of age, and four or more years older than [REDACTED] in violation of \$2907.06, Ohio Revised Code.

Sexual Imposition (M-3)

COUNT III: Between May to June, 1988, at the County of Morrow, aforesaid, one PAUL GERHARD MATHISEN, did have sexual contact with [REDACTED] not his spouse, the said [REDACTED] being over twelve but not over fifteen years of age, and Paul Gerhard Mathisen being at least eighteen years of age, and four or more years older than [REDACTED] in violation of \$2907.06, Ohio Revised Code.

Sexual Imposition (M-3)

(Warrant)

Bond: \$1,050.00 CASH No 10%

contrary to the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Lt. Shirley Murphy
Complainant Lt. Shirley Murphy

Lt. Shirley Murphy

Sworn to and subscribed before me by _____ on

November

FILED
NOV 17 1988

MORROW COUNTY COURT

OF OHIO

Judge — Clerk — Deputy Clerk

or

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STATE OF OHIO

Karl MathisonCont Bond1,050.00Ret # 134577BOND AMOUNT: 1,050.00

INITIAL APPEARANCE: _____

PLEA:

() NOT GUILTY

() NO CONTEST

() GUILTY

Continuance Granted to: _____

Set for Trial on _____

at _____ m.

Counsel App'd: _____

Retained: _____

Tape Ref. _____

Case No. 88-CRB-10273Clerk Section 2907.06

SUPPLEMENTAL ARRAIGNMENT _____

PLEA

() former Plea Withdrawn M.B.() No Contest as Charged Count III

() No Contest to Amended Charge of _____

() Charges Dismissed

() Guilty as Charged Count III

() Guilty to Amended Charge of _____

Total Costs: _____

(☒) Defendant appeared without/with court-appointed/retained counsel. Defendant's rights under the United States Constitution and Ohio Rules of Criminal Procedure were read to the defendant. The charges against the defendant and the pleas available to the defendant were explained.

() Defendant then elected to proceed with the case, enter his/her plea of guilty/no contest and waive his/her right to counsel. _____ (defendant's initials).

(☒) The Court found Defendant guilty on his/her plea of no contest.

SENTENCE: That defendant shall serve 30 days in the Morrow County Jail;
That the defendant shall pay a fine of \$ 100 and the costs incurred in this case.

CONDITIONS OF PROBATION: 30 days of said jail sentence and \$ _____ of said fine shall be suspended upon the following conditions:

- () That defendant enroll in and complete a JAIL ALTERNATE PROGRAM through the Morrow County Counsel on Alcohol and Drugs, Inc. or some other qualified agency; participate in and complete any recommended follow-up counseling or treatment prescribed by such agency; provide to the Court proof of registration for the program within thirty (30) days of filing this entry and provide a certificate of completion upon successful completion of the program including any FOLLOW-UP TREATMENT OR COUNSELING recommended by the program. That defendant shall receive _____ days credit against the unsuspended portion of defendant's jail sentence for successful completion of the Jail Alternate Program and any recommended follow-up treatment or counseling.
- () That defendant obtain an ALCOHOL EVALUATION through the Morrow County Counsel on Alcohol and Drugs, Inc. or some other qualified agency within thirty (30) days from the filing of this entry; undertake, participate in, and complete any recommended follow-up counseling or treatment prescribed by such agency and cause a report of the evaluation to be filed with this Court within thirty (30) days of said evaluation.
- (☒) That defendant have no similar ~~alcohol-related~~ law violations within twelve (12) months of this entry.
- () That defendant pay all remaining fines and costs in the above captioned case and in Case No. _____.
- () That the defendant's privilege to operate a motor vehicle be suspended for a period of _____ days;
- () Defendant shall be granted occupational driving rights by separate Journal Entry as follows:
 - () To and from work and for work related purposes _____
 - () From _____ m. to _____ m. and from _____ m. to _____ m. on _____ through _____ during period of suspension.
- () That defendant not appear for any scheduled jail sentence with any indication of the consumption of an alcoholic beverage or use of a drug of abuse. If this situation arises, the defendant shall immediately submit to a blood, urine or alcohol test as a condition of his or her probation.

OTHER CONDITIONS: Dismiss Counts I & II of Complaint. That the Def. obtain counseling through Crawford County Community Council and follow up with recommended counseling.

- JAIL REQUIREMENTS:
- () Time served in full The Def. shall stay away from unsupervised children.
 - () Defendant shall receive credit for time served as follows: _____
 - () Commitment at _____ m. on _____, 198 - Released _____ m. _____, 198
 - () Commitment at _____ m. on _____, 198 - Released _____ m. _____, 198
 - () Court will consider further suspension of _____ day of actual incarceration if fine and costs are paid _____ for two (2) years.

APPROVED BY: Tom C. Elkin
TOM C. ELKIN, ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR
MORROW COUNTY

Eugene A. Gubler
Defendant and/or Defendant's Attorney

Karl Mathison

Lee W. McClelland
LEE W. MCCLELLAND, JUDGE
MORROW COUNTY COURT
MOUNT GILEAD, OHIO 43339
Phone: (419) 947-5045
Date: 1/12/89

Repr'd w/ 30 day jail

Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

April 4, 1989

Mr. Paul Ernest
Registration & Subscription
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
RE: Paul Mathisen

Dear Paul:

As an update for your information, we are still awaiting disposition of the case against Mr. Mathisen. I thought the enclosed photos would be useful for your file. They are about a year old. No irony intended with the one picture.

Yours in Scouting,



Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive



Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

January 4, 1989

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service, BSA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

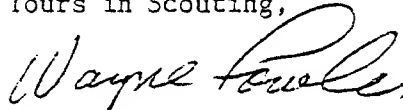
RE: Paul Mathisen

Dear Paul:

Reference your letter dated December 22, 1988, final legal action is still pending. It is my understanding that Mr. Mathisen was arrested on November 18 and charged with three counts of sexual imposition (newspaper article enclosed). A hearing was held on November 28, and Mr. Mathisen's attorney filed a plea of not guilty. We are now awaiting the outcome.

I am enclosing a copy of my log on the incident since the last portion I forwarded. Most of it is probably irrelevant for the purpose of your documentation, but I thought it might be helpful as an example of what's happening in the field with one of these cases.

Yours in Scouting,



Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

News flashes and announcements

**Culture &
Closeout: 4
Sale—\$89.95.
Per.**

**See Restaur-
ant Special-
Beef over**

**Clifford Suter,
died Friday,
Hospital, was
Ohio Farm
and Crawford**

**Harvest Bgt.
with candles
fall colors!
Designs
by Ave.**

**N HOUSE
Gift Shop
Nov. 18-29.
Local designs.**

**shots will be
with chronic
people over 65
Bucyrus City
the basement
Sandusky Ave.,
m. Cost is \$3.**

**House
tiques
Christmas
er, featur-
Ice cream,
wiches, etc.
days 12-5.**

**to plant for
prepare for
OSE CONES.
Oberlander's
1874 E.**

**Neighbors
Works,**

**to
\$2.25
\$4.25
\$4.25**

NEW DAY

Don't miss TV 54 Telephone
Auction. Every Monday, 7:00-8:00.

Order your Cheese Balls for the
holiday, \$4.25 a lb.

The Sandwich Shoppe
(and more)

Room Size Rugs made to your
measurements. Furner's Floor
Covering, 223 S. Sandusky Ave.,
Bucyrus, Ohio, 562-3993.

SEARS- BUCYRUS
FREE SHIPPING

Fresh made Deli Subs, \$1.99 small,
\$3.29 large. 562-1617.

Three are

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420 N. Sandusky Ave., his wife's
wallet was stolen from the front seat
of the vehicle.

Sue Redman, Nevada, reported at
4:12 p.m. a male acquaintance ver-
bally assaulted her while she was
walking uptown.

Charlotte Allshouse, 150 Franklin
St., reported at 4:56 p.m. that while
she was driving southbound on San-
dusky Ave. a young male on a bicy-
cle scratched her vehicle. She said
the boy didn't stop after the incident.

Thomas Atwood, 775 Melody Lane,
reported at 6:35 p.m. his 1983 Ford
truck was damaged by several
juveniles throwing rocks near his
residence. No damage estimate was
given.

Paul G. Mathisen, 22, 702 W. Mary
St., was arrested at 10:02 p.m. on a
warrant from Morrow County on
three counts of sexual imposition.
He was turned over to Morrow Coun-
ty sheriff's deputies.

A 15-year-old male was arrested
for shoplifting at 11:12 p.m. at Food-
town. He allegedly tried to steal two
pizzas. He was released to his
mother pending a juvenile court
hearing.

The following persons were cited
for speeding Friday: Joellen L.
Leonhardt, 16, 1106 Ohio Drive.
Laura L. Johnson, 25, 400 N. Walnut
St., Chad W. Hoepf, 17, 4106 Crestline
Road, Gregory Haams, 21, 800 1/2 S.
Spring St., Randall P. Yancov 21



brier was filed only after "much
anguish" and with "great
reluctance."

Echoing statements by North and
his lawyers, the department said:
"This case, in fact, arises in the con-
text of a profound policy dispute be-
tween the executive and legislative
branches with respect to foreign
affairs."

"A prosecutor acting in the midst
of such a dispute must exercise
great caution — first, to distinguish
violations of law from policy
disagreements which are the ex-
pected and natural by-product of
separated powers, and to make cer-
tain that the laws are applied con-
sistently with the scope of the presi-
dent's substantial constitutional
authority in the area of foreign
affairs."

Walsh's brief "does not
demonstrate sufficient caution in
either respect," the department
said.

The Justice Department's state-
ment was filed in response to a legal
argument Walsh made in a brief last
month that "the entire clandestine
program in support of the Contras
financed by North aimed to defeat
and obstruct the lawful functions of
the Congress."

Walsh said the defendants violated
a number of congressional restric-
tions, including the so-called Boland
Amendments' ban on aid to the
Nicaraguan rebels; known as Con-
tras. The series of Boland Amend-
ments were enacted as part of spen-
ding bills.

The department took no position
on whether the Boland Amendments
applied to North and the Contras.

Judge to

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worth's car heading east on U.S. 30.
Sgt. Foy testified he was on patrol
when Crestline police reported that
the 1981 Chevrolet Camaro was east-
bound on U.S. 30.

Foy said he was following the car
when it went left of center on U.S. 30
west of Ohio 181. Foy said he planned
to stop the driver because the
Sheriff's Department requested that
if the car was located, the driver
should be stopped and told that a
complaint had been made against
him and there were to be no further
problems in Crawford County.

Foy said based on that and the fact
the vehicle went left of center, he
stopped Wentworth. He said he search-
ed Wentworth's vehicle and notice
d a strong odor of alcohol and an
open can of beer in the car.

He said Wentworth was arrested
for driving while under the influence
of alcohol. Foy said he searched
Wentworth and found a vile of co-
caine and some marijuana.

Judge Kimerline said he will have
a ruling on the motion within a few
days.

Lottery

CLEVELAND (AP) — The win-
ning number drawn Friday night in
the Ohio Lottery's daily game, "The
Number," was 971.

In the "Pick 4" game, the winning
number was 6593.

The lottery reported earnings of
\$1,087,737.50 from wagering on "The
Number."



SCOUTING/USA

National Office
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038-3096
[REDACTED]

September 26, 1988

Mr. Wayne J. Fowler
Scout Executive
Harding Area Council, No. 443

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Paul Mathisen

Dear Wayne:

Thanks for the very complete record which you recently sent us concerning the above named individual. This is most helpful to us and certainly will enable us to refuse registration in the future.

Please keep us informed related to the legal action which takes place. The only thing I think we will still need is a copy of the confession or the outcome of the legal action once this is completed. The sentencing which is imposed is most helpful to us.

Thanks again for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

PLEASE NOTE NEW MAILING ADDRESS:

Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 21, 1988

Mr. Paul Ernst
Director, Registration Services
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul:

Reference my letter dated 9/19/88 re Paul Mathisen, Ldr. #001842, in which I requested that he be deleted from membership in the Boy Scouts of America where he was serving as Scoutmaster of Troop 60 in Bucyrus, Ohio. We have since learned that he was also registered as Webelos Leader with Pack 60 in Bucyrus, under Ldr. #006465. He is to be deleted from this as well as any other position. An investigation is under way by the authorities and I will forward additional data when available. Enclosed is a signed copy of the termination letter.

Yours in Scouting,

Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

cc: Pete Barbernitz, ECR

9/21/88: Having learned yesterday that PM was serving as WL for P60, checked unit roster and found he is officially registered in that position - see letter attached ~~XXXXXX~~

9/21/88: Lucy and Sherri - BM is still shown on our books as a WL. Please delete immediately and double check that he is not on Cub Leader or any other mailing list.

9/21/88: telecon to Tom Nye. Asked if he had spoken to Children's Services. He said no, but he had called and left a message, and was waiting for them to call him back. I told Tom it was important for him to reach them tomorrow (9/22) even if he had to call on his lunch hour. He asked re status of PM. I informed Tom that PM had been terminated and that we were waiting for the completion of the investigation and official action by the authorities before we undertook education, etc. Things are being kept confidential in the meantime.

9/22/88: Alerted Council Vice President Dick Bryson that there was a child abuse situation involving one of our leaders but no information or names beyond that statement. He said he had heard something of the sort from someone else.

9/22/88: Updated [REDACTED]. Bob Gray, Council Commissioner, on status of situation since he left town. John Harbaugh was present.

9/23/88: Note. Review of Loss Prevention file #9A6-3 reveals an article in the December 1987 Newsletter re Emergency/Special Situations which clearly spells out prohibited youth/adult situations such as tent sharing, and which also spells out the policy of notifying the Scout Executive immediately in case of suspicion of improper behavior. This would have gone to all leaders except MCs. Also in the file is an article from the 3/88 newsletter reporting on the discussion of these subjects at the February Evergreen Roundtable. Although the incident involved the Tarhe District, it is likely that the material would have been covered at their RT as well (although not for certain).

9/23/88: Lt. Murphy - NI.

9/23/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED] Tom Nye did talk w/her. Verified that [REDACTED] lives in Seneca County and they will interview him. I should wait until they have completed interview before contacting family. She will check w/them on Monday. She will let me know when it is OK to contact family.

9/24/88: Thanked Rosemary Weisbrodt for letting us know re PM's calls to camp. She now says that before he became a SM and before the two deep leadership was made official policy, he had been at camp with individual boys. (Note: National policy statement on this subject is dated November 1987).

9/24/88: Told Justine Gubernath (in response to her note) that PM would not be available to serve as Webelos Woods Program Director. She expressed surprise as he had volunteered to her for the position. She was not given a reason for the unavailability.

9/26/88: telecon w/Hank Sturma of Crawford County Children's Services. [REDACTED] has been interviewed. Not sure re [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] not yet interviewed. Sturma has talked to SA Rob Lyon re background information. The name of Scout [REDACTED] came up (but no investigation) (no allegations) in his discussion w/Lyon. Per his info, some boys seem to have dropped from the troop because of PM. Situation seems to have escalated since PM became SM although he has been in troop for years. Also, this past year, Lyon has not been around very much allegedly. I informed Sturma that I have a list of the troop's dropped boys. He would like to have me send a copy - will do. (Children's Services, [REDACTED], Galion, 44833). Alerted HS re other camp visits notated above. He will get back to me later this week.

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL September 26, 1988

Mr. Hank Sturma
Crawford County Children's Services

[REDACTED]
Galion, Ohio 44833

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Hank:

Enclosed please find the current roster of adults and youth members for Troop 60. Also enclosed is a list of boys that have dropped from the troop over the past few years with their birth dates according to our records. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance. Your efforts in this matter are greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

9/26/88: [REDACTED] NA

9/26/88: [REDACTED] - NA

3/26/88:telecon w/ [REDACTED] Things seem to be under control and [REDACTED] appears to be handling this well. He's agreeable to going for counseling per parents' desire. [REDACTED] apparantly is refusing. If [REDACTED] has to go to Court, he would like some sort of orientation, etc. on what to expect. If the authorities do not provide this, [REDACTED] is to contact me and I will arrange something (unless advised not to be authorities for soem reason). Conversation was essentially supportive in nature. Advised her re PM's separation. She is aware re confession (she brought it up). Again, offered BSA help.

9/26/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED] Called him to express BSA concern, offer support, and orient re status, etc.. They are not experiencing any problems. Keeping things low key. He volunteered the fact that [REDACTED] understands that the Boy Scouts are not bad, just the individual. [REDACTED] claims he was asleep and unaware of anything happening until he was told. Parent has apparantly talked to others in the troop re this. (Note: [REDACTED] had expressed interest in the Jamboree which his dad had encouraged, but decided he wanted to "use his money for other things." [REDACTED] [REDACTED] had not considered counseling, but I suggested that he might want to consider it.

9/26/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED]. I called her to check on how things were going, etc. She is trying to get [REDACTED] into counseling. They are doing well.

9/26/88: Note not directly related to incident- telecon w/ [REDACTED] to ask [REDACTED] to do the Scout Oath at Pilgrimage. She thinks he'll be honored to do so.

9/28/88: Ken Dupont stopped in at HAC. People are becoming aware that something has happened. He is referring inquiries to me and is asking them to honor my request to keep things under wraps. Pastor Mike has talked to several parents at their request. Told Ken that the [REDACTED] boy is the only boy from his troop that we are aware of plus two/one others outside the troop. Told him I spoke to [REDACTED]. If parents ask, he can reassure them that we are not aware of anything involving their sons although we cannot of course guarantee it. PM has been to see him and told him what is going on (we didn't discuss details). Suggested he encourage PM to seek counseling. Ken indicated that PM has worked summers at some church camp (name not given), and hopes that word of this won't get up there. I told Ken that he should get PM to voluntarily agree to discontinue this activity, and Ken should alert Children's Services.

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 20, 1988

Mr. Thomas Nye

Sycamore, OH 44882

Dear Tom:

Thank you for having brought to my attention the incident that is alleged to have occurred in Camp this past summer. Please be assured that appropriate action has been taken in this regard.

As we discussed, I am most concerned about the delay that occurred between the reporting of the alleged incident to you and your report to the Council. As you are now aware, it is absolutely imperative that such reports and or suspicions be immediately reported to the Scout Executive. In addition, state law requires that such information be reported to Children's Services or to a law enforcement agency. Failure to report can leave children at risk and create legal liability for those concerned. In future, please be sure to advise this office of any serious or controversial situations immediately. If in doubt, contact us for advice and help.

Yours in Scouting,

Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

9/20/88: Visited at HAC by Ken Dupont. General discussion. He has met w/Lt. Murphy. Reviewed plans for this evening's meetings, approach to kids, etc.. Shared my concern re best approach to take w/troop's parents. No decision yet, probably best to wait re investigation still in progress. Per Ken, SA Rob Lyons had mentioned to him back in June that he had heard from one boy that a boy who had dropped had said he did so because he was uncomfortable around PM. Also, he had heard that a Scout [REDACTED] (a neighbor) would stay overnight at PM's home. Apparantly a single parent situation w/no father.

Note: learned at some point in my discussions that PM's parents are out of town for extended periods. Presently they are out of town for the next 8 months (per PM).

9/20/88: telecon w/Ralph Howard. Status to date, proposed meeting w/T60 key leaders. RH advises that this would not be prudent. Advises simply appoint temporary SM, do not share child protection literature w/troop at this time (re Linkage) - wait until an indictment before doing anything of this nature. Re possible parent objections re not being informed, we took action by terminating PM.

9/20/88: telecon w/Paul Buckland. related results of meeting w/PM, SC contact, and discussion w/RH. Without contrary advice from attorney, he would have acted as we originally planned, however in view of RH's advice, we should hold off on the educational /informational side of this for the time being. He thinks I should however go to the meeting , address the issue of selecting a new SM, distribute no abuse info, and

only answer appropriate questions. He suspects they'll draw their own conclusions from what is not said and act accordingly.

9/20/88: Lt. Murphy - NI/MRC

9/20/88: telecon w/Ken Dupont. Re conversation w/RH and PB. Agreed that we will change the focus of the meeting to SM selection. Education to come later.

9/20/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED] Their investigation does not show [REDACTED] boy at same address as PM. May be error on our part as the printout from National shows the old address - possibly a line and notation carried thru the NCR paper. Related info I received from Ken Dupont, and latest status on our end. I requested advice re what to disclose to parents and when. They normally inform parents of youths directly involved immediately, but not the parents of other children in the group until after an indictment. A parents meeting would be appropriate after an indictment - then explain what actions taken and why, advise parents delay in notification due to legal and prosecution concerns; warn parents re danger of interference in prosecution (harassment can land parents in trouble, or lead to retraction of confessions, etc.) We should follow advice of our attorney. In these cases, the Court usually directs the perpetrator to a treatment facility or organization. Morrow County is in a position to do so. Childrens Services prefers to continue to receive any and all information we come across.

9/20/88: meeting at Good Hope Lutheran Church

First met privately w/Pastor Mike. Brought him up to date re conversation w/our attorney. He concurs w/the new game plan.

Present at leaders' meeting were Pastor Mike, SC, CC, 5 SAs and myself. SC announced that the SM had been separated from Scouting for reasons that we could not share at this time due to legal considerations. The meeting was then devoted to discussing the 6STEP PLAN for securing a SM and actions necessary for the interim functioning of the troop. I did advise the group that it was desirable to keep things functioning as routinely as possible, and that the less said about the loss of their SM, the better. During the meeting, someone brought up the fact that PM had been functioning as WL for P60 there at the church. Ken Dupont agreed to contact the Cubmaster to advise him that PM would no longer be available. Prior to leaving I gave Pastor Mike and Ken Dupont copies of the informational booklet and training handout (in envelopes for privacy) as they were already privy to the situation.

9/21/88: Per [REDACTED] PM's name was brought up at last night's Cub Summer Program as a staff prospect and he told them no, that PM was separated. Afterwards [REDACTED] privately told him that she had some information re Webelos Woods. His tent was next to that of the boys and she believes there was tent sharing.

9/21/88: telecon from Beth Foltz of Wyandot Children's Services. Wanted to tell me that [REDACTED] and his family appreciated my phone call. Beth has not yet talked to [REDACTED] as she can't reach him. She understands that [REDACTED]'s wife may be in the habit of turning off the phone during the day. She did send him a letter, and he called her office while she was out, but nothing since then. [REDACTED] claimed that it was not unusual for PM to have a boy share his tent at night and claims he could point out the boys although he doesn't know their names. Neither of us is sure which side of the county line [REDACTED] is on, but Beth is going to interview him. I alerted her to the possibility brought up by [REDACTED] although I did not give [REDACTED] name. She says Hank Sternum (sp?) is actually investigating for Crawford Children's Services.

9/21/88: telecon from Lt. Murphy. Mentioned to her that there may have been an irregularity at Webelos Woods. So far this looks like a misdemeanor - if so she will file charges as soon as she feels investigation is complete. If it becomes a felony it would have to go to the Grand Jury which meets in November. She has not yet interviewed the [REDACTED] boy. I will hold off talking to the family until she has done so. Her gut reaction is that there are more victims than the three we know of so far. [REDACTED] admitted that PM did touch him and restated that PM also touched [REDACTED]. Claimed PM made the boys sit in his lap. Advised Murphy that termination meeting had been held and at her request described PM's reaction, etc. We are holding off educational action w/the troop until legally ok.

9/21/88: [REDACTED] - NI. Try later in afternoon.

9/21/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED]. During Webelso Woods she had a conversation w/PM one morning in which he said that one of the den chiefs was homesick (she replied that it hadn't been apparent to her) , and that two of them came into his (PM's) tent and spent the night, and PM woke up w/one of the boys ncuddled next to him. [REDACTED] made some sort of comment to him which she doesn't remember re this being inappropriate but claims that while she felt uncomfortable over the disclosure, felt it had no significance as there were about eight staff tents grouped closely together making anything improper unlikely. Later in the summer he allegedly told her re visiting the den chiefs in Sycamore to try to get them to come to camp. [REDACTED] didn't have the names of the boys. Ken Dupont has contacted her to ask her to cover the Webelos meeitn tonight as Ken thinks PM may be coming to his (Ken's) house . [REDACTED] is to say that she is filling in for the evening and that PM will not be continuing as WL. Any questions, etc. that might arise should be directed to me.

9/21/88: telecon w/ [REDACTED] updated re latest information. She will put above info in her report to Lt. Murphy and I won't make a special contact w/Murphy re it. She believes the meeting w/the [REDACTED] boy is taking place this afternoon. Passed along [REDACTED] name, etc. as a possible contact re PM's background. She thinks she will hold off talking to him until charges filed.

9/30/88: [REDACTED] in to visit - reviewed file to date

9/30/88: telecon w/Sturma - OK to talk to [REDACTED] family;
Hank asked me to tell them not to talk to PM; HS has received
the info I sent; doesn't know re charges yet - will let me
know.

9/30/88: [REDACTED] not in our file, no [REDACTED] that address
in Directory Assistance

10/1/88: Saw Ken Dupont at T60 campsite at Camporee. Brief
conversation with him re situation. No new information.

10/1/88: Conversation w/[REDACTED] at Camporee. This situation
has produced some benefit to his troop as he feels he is getting
more parental support now. He says [REDACTED] does not have
a telephone.

10/9/88: approached by Executive Board Member/Bucyrus resident,
Bob Hubble re what is going on with T60. Told him there had
been a problem causing PM's termination, but that I could not
discuss it re advice of attorney. Told him that while it was
a serious incident, it was not as serious as it could have
been. (May also have told him pastor and SC were informed,
but not sure.)

10/11/88: message on answering machine from PM re two small checks that needed to be written by Council re expenses from Program Kickoff which were incurred prior to the incident becoming known.

10/11/88: telecon from Harbaugh re status of charges, etc. and concern re attitude towards Council if parents got word of what's happening through the "grapevine." I reassured him re comments from attorney re procedure, etc.. John is reassured - no problem. I will probably call Lt. M. later this week re status.

10/11/88: assisted T60 w/an open house program (no relation to the incident) at the church. Mr. Sherman was present as a committee member.

10/18/88: telecon from Ken Dupont. I have no more info on status of case. He and Rod Streib are meeting with new SM (Or prospect?) tomorrow night - can one of us go from the office to answer questions re PM situation? I am unavailable re another meeting, but will leave a message for Steve. I agree that new SM will need some info, but not details at this stage.

10/20/88: Lt. Murphy - NI/MRC

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

October 3, 1988

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
McCutchenville, OH 44844

Dear [REDACTED]:

I have been holding off on contacting you so as not to interfere with the inquiries being made by Children's Services. They have only recently advised me that it would be all right to make contact. I'd like to express our deep concern over this matter, and also our appreciation of your full cooperation with the authorities. If you have any questions, or if there is any way I or the Harding Area Council can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to call me at either the Council Service Center, [REDACTED] or at my home, [REDACTED]

For your information, Mr. Mathisen is no longer a member of the Boy Scouts of America. Also, Crawford County Children's Services asked me to remind you to please have no contact with Mr. Mathisen.

Yours in Scouting,

Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

Please send copies to the following. Return memo to me. Thanks.

Wayne

10/3/88

Rhonda Werner, Crawford County Children's Services, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Galion, 44833

Lt. Shirley Murphy, Morrow County Sheriff's Dept. [REDACTED]

Rev. Michael Wiechers, Good Hope Lutheran Ch., Bucyrus [REDACTED]

Ken Dupont [REDACTED]

Dr. Hering [REDACTED]

John Harbaug [REDACTED]

Dr. Gray [REDACTED]

Ralph Howard [REDACTED]

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079
[REDACTED]

September 30, 1988

SUBJECT: GERALDO RIVERA T.V. SHOW FOCUSING ON CHILD ABUSE

From: Ben H. Love, Chief Scout Executive

To: Scout Executives
Regional Directors
Area Directors

This program was taped in New York City on September 29th and will be aired across the country in about a week.

Victims of child abuse and their parents are scheduled to appear. Two of the victims were abused while in Scouting.

It is quite possible that once the show is aired you may be contacted by local media for your comments.

It is essential that you review thoroughly once again every aspect of youth protection media training and be prepared for an eventual interview.

If your local media contacts you, you should advise the national Public Relations Service immediately.

ck

cc: Ronald E. Moranville
Joseph Anglim
Group Directors
Division Directors
Service Directors

Please refer any inquiries to
me. Thanks. WF

11/18/88: telecon from Lt. Murphy. She delayed charges up until yesterday's Grand Jury Hearing pending the possibility of increasing the charges to the felony level. Since they have not been able to identify any victims below the age limit needed re a felony, they are filing three misdemeanor charges. She has the warrent in hand and said she would probably be going up to Bucyrus today. Bond is set at \$1050. In her opinion there could have been younger kids involved. Also in her opinion, P.M. will likely have some jail time and this will go on his record.

11/18/88: Office and professional staff oriented re above.

Note: On one or two occasions since the last dated memorandum and the notation above, I have advised Council Attorney Ralph Howard that we were in a holding pattern and that there has been no negative feedback from the field.

Note: Troop 60 has a new Scoutmaster who is an attorney.

11/18/88: left message for Ralph Howard to call me.

11/21/88: telecon from Ralph Howard. He advises that I wait until PM has been arraigned before setting up a parents' meeting. Case should not be discussed. Wait until we find out what the Prosecutor will do. Be cautious for now.

11/21/88: conversation with Steve Williams (DE). He was told the following during a conversation with Ken Dupont (during Scouting for Food) on 11/19 - PM was picked up by police on 11/18 and called Ken to ask him to get the bail together. The Pastor and Ken Dupont arranged bail on 11/19. Hearing is set for 11/28. Ken Dupont is going to the hearing with PM. Dupont saw the arrest mentioned in the 11/19 paper.

Note: see attached photocopy of 11/19/88 BUCYRUS TELEGRAPH-FORUM.

11/21/88: message for Dr. Hering to call me re PM.

11/21/88: Dr. Gray re current status.

11/22/88: Dr. Hering re current status.

11/22/88: photocopy of BUCYRUS TELEGRAPH FORUM article mailed to Ralph Howard.

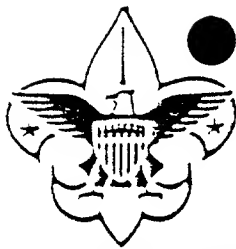
11/22/88: Updated District Chairmn John Harbaugh in response to his question.

11/29/88: conversation w/Rev Mike Wiechers following Chaplaincy Committee meeting re status. He has some concern re how PM is handling the situation personally. Apparantly PM has lost his job (not related to this situation) and will be selling his house.

11/29/88: conversation w/Ken Dupont. Per Ken, hearing has been held - on advice of attorney, PM did not attend - attorney was to plead him not guilty. PM was laid off (no related to situation) and will have to sell his house. Is or will be temporarily living with Ken. Believes PM plans to try to start over in Texas. PM parents supposedly on way back after hearing about house sale, and PM will have to confront them with the situation. Ken is concerned that PM is not getting "help" on his own and is not confronting the problem.

11/30/88: message for Lt. Murphy to return my call

11/30/88: Lt. Murphy - she hadn't heard re hearing yet, but it is not unusual for for an attorney to start out with a not guilty plea. This might lead to a trial or to plea bargaining.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

HARDING AREA COUNCIL, B.S.A.

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MARION, OHIO 43302

Wayne Fowler - Scout Executive

November 30, 1988

Ralph Howard

Marion, OH 43302

Ralph:

Just a quick update re the child abuse situation. I've heard (not through official sources) that the individual's attorney filed a Not Guilty plea at the hearing. I'm assuming that puts us in a continued holding pattern re any action on our part. I'll just sit tight. Just as background information, I've been told that he's lost his job (through cause unrelated to this situation) and that he will be selling his home. I've also been told that he's considering moving out of state to start fresh.

Wayne



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12/2/88: updated Dr. Hering re status of situation.

12/2/88: updated Gary Washburn and Steve Williams re current status.

12/2/88: alerted incoming Council Vice President and Marion County Prosecutor, Jim Slagle, that the situation existed - no names, brief generalities. Asked his opinion re what is likely to happen next. He advised that an innocent plea is pretty standard procedure. There will likely be a pretrial hearing, and normally in the case of misdemeanors, there is plea bargaining.

12/20/88: Per Gary Washburn per his telecon this date w/ [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] had heard about a SM in Bucyrus who had been dismissed and then arrested re child abuse (ie. PM). He connected this with knowledge of Duane Philbrook and comments made to him [REDACTED] by Philbrook. [REDACTED] knows Philbrook through their employment with United Tel. [REDACTED] claims Philbrook is "a queer." [REDACTED] also claims to have been approached by Philbrook with an offer of child pornography and further states that this past summer Philbrook inquired when family night would be held at camp. Philbrook allegedly told [REDACTED] that he had been to visit Ken Dupont's home from time to time over the past year, and that now that Paul Mathisen was staying there, he expected to be over more often. (Note: do not confuse Duane Philbrook with his brother [REDACTED] who is SC of Pack and Troop [REDACTED].) Neither Gary nor I have any reason to suspect Dupont of anything improper.

12/20/88: telecon w/Rhonda Werner of Crawford County Children's Services. Advised her of above. I will take no further action. She serves on Church Board w/Dupont and also has no reason to suspect any problem w/him. She will talk to him about the Philbrook connection and suggest that he may want to help PM avoid such relationships. Also discussed PM's apparant lack of appreciation for his problem and his need for professional help. We concur.

December 22, 1988

Mr. Wayne J. Fowler
Scout Executive
Harding Area Council, No. 443

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: PAUL MATHISEN

Dear Wayne:

We really appreciate all the material you sent us in September, concerning the above named individual. This is a follow up to determine if any further legal action has taken place.

We would like a copy of a newspaper article or court record indicating the outcome of the legal action, if it has been completed. This would then close our file.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

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September 26, 1988

Mr. Wayne J. Fowler
Scout Executive
Harding Area Council, No. 443

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Paul Mathisen

Dear Wayne:

Thanks for the very complete record which you recently sent us concerning the above named individual. This is most helpful to us and certainly will enable us to refuse registration in the future.

Please keep us informed related to the legal action which takes place. The only thing I think we will still need is a copy of the confession or the outcome of the legal action once this is completed. The sentencing which is imposed is most helpful to us.

Thanks again for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

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ERIN O'RILEY

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 21, 1988

Mr. Paul Ernst
Director, Registration Services
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul:

Reference my letter dated 9/19/88 re Paul Mathisen, Ldr. #001842, in which I requested that he be deleted from membership in the Boy Scouts of America where he was serving as Scoutmaster of Troop 60 in Bucyrus, Ohio. We have since learned that he was also registered as Webelos Leader with Pack 60 in Bucyrus, under Ldr. #006465. He is to be deleted from this as well as any other position. An investigation is under way by the authorities and I will forward additional data when available. Enclosed is a signed copy of the termination letter.

Yours in Scouting,

Wayne Fowler
Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

cc: Pete Barbernitz, ECR

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 19, 1988

Mr. Paul Mathisen
[REDACTED]
Bucyrus, OH 44820

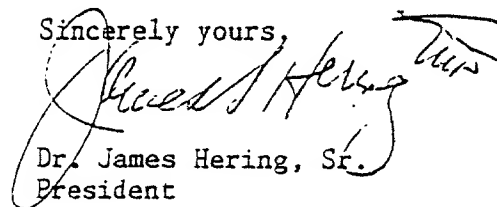
Dear Mr. Mathisen:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a council review committee, please write to me within 60 days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,


Dr. James Hering, Sr.
President



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

COUNCIL

No. 443 Date 7-20-82

REFER TO YOUR TRANSMITTAL REPORT NO. _____

☒ CREDIT NOTICE ☐ DEBIT NOTICEREGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION
AND STATISTICAL SERVICEREGISTRATION Unit No. 50060 term _____ months

- ☐ Unit charter fee of \$20. Received \$ _____ required \$ _____
- ☐ _____ Leaders (_____ prepaid) @ \$ _____ each. Received \$ _____ required \$ _____
(_____ transfer)
- _____ Members (_____ transfer) @ \$ _____ each. Received \$ _____ required \$ _____
- ☐ _____ Members _____ Leaders listed on transmittal form _____ on application
- ☐ Transfers must pay \$.50 each. Expiration given _____ We have _____
- ☐ Not on transmittal report ☐ Duplicate entry ☐ No application received.
- ☐ Correction made per your letter/telephone call _____
- ☐ No reply to our defective registration notice dated _____
- ☐ Returning _____ *Copy only* ☐ Under Age ☐ Over Age

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Please add or subtract the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

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Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____
Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ _____

CREDITING

Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ <u>2.75</u>
Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ <u>2.75</u>

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Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 19, 1988

Mr. Paul Ernst
Director, Registration Services
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

Please delete Mr. Paul Mathisen, Scoutmaster of Troop 60 in Bucyrus, Ohio [REDACTED] Bucyrus, Ohio, Ldr #001842) from membership in the Boy Scouts of America, remove from all mailing lists, and place in the Confidential File. He is currently under investigation for child molestation and I have been advised by Lt. Shirley Murphy of the Morrow County Sheriff's Department that they are in possession of a signed confession. Enclosed please find the following:

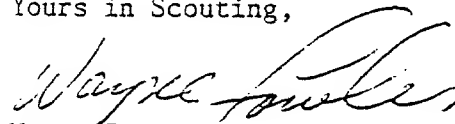
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Confidential Record Sheet

copy - Scout Executive's Personal log

Thank you.

Yours in Scouting,


Wayne Fowler
Scout Executive

cc: Pete Barbernitz, East Central Region

Boy Scouts of America

HARDING AREA COUNCIL

September 19, 1988

Mr. Paul Mathisen

[REDACTED]
Bucyrus, OH 44820

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CONFIDENTIAL LOG RE PAUL MATHISEN

By Wayne Fowler, Scout Executive

8/25/88: at conclusion of Program Kickoff Meeting, I was approached by District Executive Steve Williams re allegations of potential child abuse allegedly committed by Paul Mathisen which were related to Williams by two other adult leaders, largely based on reports to them by boys. I instructed Williams to prepare a detailed confidential report for my review by my return to the Service Center on the 29th

8/26/88: alerted Council President Dr. Jim Hering to the situation.

8/29/88: Williams report attached available to me upon my return to the Service Center.

8/29/88: Phone message from me to Marion County Children's Services Director, Mike Ring, requesting him to call me. He is in a meeting.

8/30/88: per telecon w/Mike Ring, abuse incidents should be reported to county of child's residence or of incident; I should call George Arnold, Director of Crawford County Children's Services [REDACTED].

8/30/88: telecon w/George Arnold. I am to talk with one of his intake specialists; they prefer that initial contacts on our part be made concurrently with them or after they have talked to the persons involved - this usually only takes a few days as they must make initial contact within 24 hours.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

From: Steve Williams
To: Wayne Fowler
Re: Possible Child Abuse Situation

Information was presented to me on August 25, 1988, about concern over suspicious actions by Mr. Paul Mathisen. Mr. Mathisen is the Scoutmaster for Troop 60 in Bucyrus, Ohio. The information was presented to me by Mr. Thomas Nye, Scoutmaster of Troop 138, Sycamore, and Mr. Dave Reed, Cubmaster of Pack 118, Sycamore.

According to Nye and Reed, Mr. Mathisen has been contacting one or two boys in the Sycamore troop. On one occasion, Mr. Mathisen was reported to have telephoned Mr. Dave Reed asking for the phone number of a boy in the Sycamore troop. Mr. Mathisen allegedly invited this boy to go to Camp Wyandot with Mr. Mathisen's troop for the week of July 17 to July 23, 1988. (The name of this boy is not known to me).

On another occasion, Mr. Mathisen was reported (by Nye and Reed) to have visited scout [REDACTED] Troop 138, at the boys' home. During this visit, Mr. Mathisen and the boy sat in Mr. Mathisen's car alone. The parents of the boy were not aware that Mr. Mathisen was there.

The final incident brought to my attention by Nye and Reed occurred on July 10, 1988 at Camp Wyandot. Mr. Mathisen visited the camp in the evening and announced the death of Mr. Ward McCracken at the flag lowering ceremony. Later that evening Mr. Mathisen was seen entering the campsite of Troop 138. The scout who witnessed this was [REDACTED] of Sycamore Troop 138. [REDACTED] allegedly witnessed Mr. Mathisen enter a tent where scout [REDACTED] of Sycamore was sleeping. [REDACTED] reported seeing Mr. Mathisen unzip [REDACTED] pants while [REDACTED] was sleeping in the tent. There were no adult witnesses of this. [REDACTED] reported the incident to Mr. Nye. [REDACTED] was later told what had happened, so he is aware of it.

Mr. Nye and Mr. Reed are very concerned about the safety of the boys in the Sycamore troop and felt the need to report this information to me. Also attached is a confidential note which you gave to me on 7/12/88, which now appears to warrant some investigation.

Thank you.

Steve
8/26/88

Tom Nye - [REDACTED]
Dave Reed [REDACTED]
Paul Mathi [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Steve:

Had an interesting phone call from a Scout in Troop 60 asking who the boys in the troop should complain to because the SM has changed all the rules and won't listen to the boys when they want to talk about the problem. Referred him to the Committee Chairman. Early this fall, you or a dsitRICT volunteer may want to have a quiet look at what's going on in the troop.

Wayne

7/12/88

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8/30/88 (call to Crawford County Children's Services continued: referred to Intake Specialist Rhonda - related info to her. She will contact other county (Wyandot and Morrow) agencies as needed. May take a little longer than usual due to the multicounty aspect.

8/30/88: notified Dave Reed that Children's Services have been contacted, he should be hearing from them, and that action on my part will be delayed until I get their report; unable to reach Tom Nye.

8/31/88: unable to reach Tom Nye.

Week of 9/5/88: while at Regional Top Hands Conference, mentioned to Area Director Paul Bucklin that I might have an abuse case awaiting me on my return to Marion.

9/8/88: upon my return home from Conference received message that District Executive Gary Washburn needed to talk to me re this situation.

9/8/88: per telecon w/Washburn, [REDACTED] mother of alleged victim, [REDACTED] called him on 9/8. [REDACTED] has been interviewed by Beth Stoltz of Children's Services. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has called Tom Nye and is upset with him for his delay in reporting the alleged incident. She has also talked with Steve Williams. She also called Paul Mathisen and called him names, etc., and informed him that he would see him in court. She thinks Children's Services will prosecute. Tom

Nye wishes to talk to Gary, Steve, and myself, possibly at camp tomorrow. Gary has checked with Lucy and has checked my in box - no messages from Children's Services during my absence. Gary thinks Tom Nye was at the spring Scoutmaster training session when we covered what to do in abuse situations. I asked Gary to refer all inquiries, etc. re this situation to me directly.

9/9/88: telecon w/Steve Williams. Per his conversation with [REDACTED]: Mathisen slept in the tent that night; Tom Nye told [REDACTED] (who reported incident to him) not to say anything; Mathisen denied knowledge of the incident and claimed he didn't know what was going on; she said she will prosecute; Children's Services is handling; [REDACTED] told his mother he saw fondling; she wastold Mathisen will let boys from his troop sleep in his tent. I asked Steve to refer all inquiries, etc. re this situation to me directly.

9/10/88: unable to reach Tom Nye.

9/10/88: telecon with [REDACTED] was unaware of the incident. He seems OK, but is not anxious to talk about it. She will talk to someone at Mental Health. She claims she was told that Tom Nye knew Mathisen was in the tent all night playing cards. [REDACTED] shared the tent. [REDACTED] told her the guy tried it with him but he left the tent. I expressed my sympathy and concern, and offered the Council's help. She is concerned re Nye's delay in reporting, but says he's been a good Scoutmaster. I also explained the BSA's policy and

procedures for these situations. If this goes to court, [REDACTED] would liek to talk to someone who could prepare him for the experience. I replied that we could probably find an appropriate person if Children's Services didn't. I made sure she had my name and home and business phone numbers

9/10/88: telecon with [REDACTED], mother of [REDACTED], the alleged witness. Similar conversation to that with [REDACTED]. Again, expressed our concern over the situation and offered help and support. She is also concerned over the Scoutmaster Nye's delay in reporting.

Note: one or both mothers indicated that Children's Services intended to prosecute for gross sexual imposition. Also, [REDACTED] knows [REDACTED] and considers him a good, truthful Scout. Both mothers seemed satisfied with the Council's reporting of the alleged incident and appreciated the contact.

9/10/88: Unable to reach Dr. Hering.

9/10/88: informed Council Commissioner, Dr. Robert Gray of the details of the situation. Indicated that I would contact Children's Services on Monday, and that I suspected they would confirm the need to suspend Mathisen. He concurs in actions taken.

Note: Both mothers were informed that suspension would take place if Children's Services confirmed the situation on Monday.

9/11/88: telecon w/Tom Nye He has not yet talked with Children's Services as they had been unable to reach him, but he has received a letter from them and will call them on Monday. He realizes that he made a mistake in not reporting the incident sooner, but claims he didn't really know how to handle the situation. He also claims that the boys said they wanted to trap the individual and Nye said OK. According to Nye, the two boys knew Mathisen from Day Camp. Supposedly, Mathisen came to camp with word of [REDACTED] death, and then went to Nye's troop campsite where he joined in a game of cards in the boys' tent. Present were Tom Nye, Paul Mathisen, [REDACTED] and possibly another Scout. When the game ended, the adults left the tent and Nye invited Mathisen to share his tent. Nye returned to his own tent to get ready for bed while Mathisen supposedly went to get his gear. Nye fell asleep before Mathisen returned. Nye stated that he missed the session on child abuse at the Scoutmasters' training course. I briefed him on BSA policy and procedure in these situations and indicated that Confirmation by Children's services would involve immediate suspension for Mathisen. Nye has talked to the mothers and believes he can "mend his fences."

9/11/88: telecon w/District Chairman John Harbaugh. Briefed him on situation and possible action to come. He concurs.

9/11/88: telecon w/Council President Dr. Jim Hering. Updated him on status of situation and likelihood of need for letter of suspension over his signature if Children's Services verifies incident on Monday. He would like to personally talk to Children's Services first. I will call them and advise him of

who to call. If possible, he would prefer to be the one to go with me, although Hubble would be a good substitute if Jim can't. (not available 7:30-9:30. late afternoon good.) I will try to arrange. I will also provide him with copies of appropriate information. Briefly discussed need to contact troop committee chairman and pastor of sponsoring church if suspension is undertaken. Will seek advice re possible follow up with members of Mathisen's troop should the incident be confirmed.

9/12/88: telecon w/Rhonda Werner at Crawford Children's Services. Wyandot County completed interviews with the boys by Friday afternoon. Both boys stand by their original statements. Written report is on the way to Crawford County. Crawford social worker and law enforcement representative will try to interview Mathisen by Wednesday of this week (9/14). Crawford will call me Wednesday re status. Mathisen has not yet been interviewed. They don't know yet what the prosecutor will elect to do. I said we would delay action on our end if any pending results of their interview. Re my concern re followup with youth members of T60, Werner suggests that since there have been no reports from that troop, we simply take a general approach (if this case progresses) and let the boys know only that if anyone has tried anything, they should tell an appropriate person privately. She concurred with my suggestion that we alert key leaders in the troop re what sort of abuse warning signs they should be alert for.

9/12/88: telecon with Area Director, Paul Buckland. Full briefing on situation. He concurs with actions to date and decision to wait on Children's Services. He suggests consulting with Council Attorney.

9/12/88: telecon with Ralph Howard, Council Attorney. Briefing re the situation and discussion. He agrees that we should wait on findings of Children's Services re disposition of Mathisen. He feels case against Mathisen is weak. Do not discuss this situation in any kind of open meeting including Executive Board. He is aware key officers have had to be told. He recommends we take action, possibly including removal, against Nye for failure to report promptly, at a minimum, a strong letter of reprimand. Keep Howard apprised of status. Note: names not used in discussion.

9/12/88: Photocopy of CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, HOW TO DEAL WITH IT, and copy of this log delivered to Dr. Hering's office marked cpersonal/confidential .

9/13/88: telecon from John Harbaugh requesting status in case it is brought up at tonight's District Committee meeting. Mathisen not yet interviewed. Children's Services to notify me Wednesday. John is aware that this is not for discussion at meeting, etc.

9/13/88: telecon from Lt. Murphy of Morrow County Sheriff's Dept.. She will be interviewing Mathisen. Will conduct investigation, etc. as quietly as possible. She asked for and was given some basic info re Mathisen. Discussed our followup plan re T60 boys if allegation is substantiated. Murphy suggests we check re dropped boys from that troop. I will see if we have any more info re Mathisen.

9/13/88: meeting w/Gary and Steve re how to react if P.M. or other person brings situation up. Some concern re Tarhe Committee meeting as Steve informs me P.M. is on the Committee. Per Gary, both boys were on the Day Camp staff and may have stayed on for Webelos Woods. P.M. was not on Day Camp staff but did help with Webelos Woods. Gary will check for sure re boys.

9/13/88: per Gary, [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] were at Webelos Woods.

9/13/88: copy of CSA, HOW TO DEAL WITH IT mailed to Ralph Howard.

9/13/88: message for Lt. Shirley Murphy to call me back.

9/13/88: telecon from Rhonda Werner. To alert me re Lt. Murphy. I advised Rhonda re Webelos Woods connection between the three boys and P.M. and gave [REDACTED] address to R. She will pass info along to Beth Foltz (sp?) in Wyandot. R has not yet received written report, but was verbally informed that more than unzipping took place. (allegedly) She understands that interview w/PM is Thursday.

9/14/88: telecon from Paul Buckland. PM to be interviewed Thursday.

9/14/88: left message for Dr. Hering re Thursday interview and R. Howard & Area Director concurrence re waiting for results.

9/14/88: per Steve Williams, [REDACTED] told him that PM called her at 11:)) PM on 9/13 to get Steve's new phone number. She did not have it available to give out at that time. Told Steve to tell [REDACTED] to give PM the number if he asks again - make no big deal over it. (So far as we are aware, [REDACTED] is not aware of the situation.) If PM calls Steve, Steve is to be as noncommittal as possible and refer PM to me.

9/14/88: John Harbaugh re status.

9/14/88: Per Gary Washburn, Ron and Rosemary Weisbrodt (Camp Ranger) are aware of what is going on (possibly via Tom Nye who was at camp this past weekend??). Gary advised them to keep it confidential. They claim PM called camp on two occasions in the past year to ask if he could bring one boy to camp. They told him "no," that it was against policy, and that he should know that. Allegedly he was upset with them for their answer on both occasions. Gary advises that he and PM were in the same patrol for Boy Scout Leader Basic Training and that they were told re no one on one camping, etc.

9/15/88: telecon w/Lt. Murphy. [REDACTED] advised her re [REDACTED] incident, Webelos Woods connection, camp phone call incidents, and updated re Scouting record. She will probably try to reach him today to set up an appointment. She indicated that it did not look good for PM.

9/15/88: telecon w/Rhonda Werner: related info above as shared w/Lt. Murphy and advised that I had shared w/Murphy. Rhonda said that it was looking more and more suspicious. She knows PM and her family thinks his is somewhat "strange" (She has another person working on the case because of that connection.)

9/15/88: Per Gary Washburn, two years ago, Ron Weisbrodt found PM in one of the buildings in camp in possession of a set of keys which he was not supposed to have, and with another individual (youth??).

9/15/88: Ron Weisbrodt - no answer.

9/15/88: telecon w/Lt. Murphy re key incident.

9/15/88: Per Gary Washburn, Gary was present along w/ [REDACTED] when Bob Cheetham gave PM two weeks to return the keys. Allegedly the keys were never returned. The locks in camp were all changed

9/15/88: Sherri Williams, Registrar is to prepare a list of T60 dropped boys for the past several years.

9/15/88: Sherri Williams (Registrar) advised me that while researching T60 dropped boys, she ran across a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who is registered in that troop with the same home address as PM. Both had different addresses than the current address they now share [REDACTED] Bucyrus). The addresses were both changed to the new one on the charter application filed in January of 1988. Lucy Porter (bookkeeper) and Sherri have both picked up on the fact that something is going on, on have been advised to keep it strictly confidential. They have also been asked to let me know of anything unusual in this regard that comes to their attention. No details have been discussed with them, nor exactly what is going on.

9/15/88: left message w/Childrens' Services for Rhonda to call me back.

9/15/88: Dave Burk. Conversation indicates he learned of the tent incident shortly before the Program Kickoff Meeting, added that to his knowledge of the [REDACTED] contacts, and agreed with Nye that it should be reported (Learned of the tent icident night of PKO???). Let him know still under investigation, but no details.

9/16/88: updated Jim Herig^h at our regular meeting w/full details. We're still waiting until after PM interview re our action.

9/16/88: telecon w/Rhonda Werner. Updated her re latest info.
I haven't called Murphy and don't plan on a special call.

9/16/88: Per Gary Washburn, Murphy has talked to Ron.

9/16/88: telecon from Ralph Howard re where do we stand. General update without details, etc.. We seem to be OK so far.

9/16/88: telecon from Rhonda Werner. After thinking about our earlier conversation re the key incident, and knowing how resourceful and creative PM can be, she wanted to alert me re the possibility that he could have obtained current keys - be cautious in this area to avoid his having access to our buildings. Reassured her re open nature of camp, close proximity of buildings to Ranger supervision, and relatively unpredictable in/out of Ranger in camp. She is on their Church Board)?) and will quietly see that access to their facilities is controlled/checked. Since their church sponsors T60 she knows minister and agrees that if this situation is verified, he should be notified (Besure to deal with Mike Wiechers.) I will alert Ranger to be alert.

9/16/88: telecon w/Ron Weisbrodt. Details of key incident earlier reported are incorrect. He did not actually see PM in camp. Found tire tracks outside QM building, and on checking found that items signed out to PM had been returned. No evidence re anyone with PM. Followup by Sean McCauley re his having keys. Alerted Ron to be alert.

9/16/88: Rhonda not in.

9/17/88: telecon from PM - he would like meeting w/me. App't set for Monday evening at 7:30 at HAC.

9/17/88: Jim Hering NI

9/18/88: met w/Jim Hering. Will change PM meeting to 8:15 so Jim can be present.

9/18/88: left message on PM answering machine re 8:15 rather than 7:30. Call me if this is a problem.

9/18/88: [REDACTED] N/A

9/18/88: [REDACTED] - N/A

9/19/88: telecon from Lt. Murphy. She interviewed PM this past Saturday and got a confession from him (in writing) although some details of the story vary. He also confessed to another incident with a Scout [REDACTED] from his own troop at Camp Wyandot. Murphy has contacted Crawford Children's Services re this. PM alleges that Camp Ranger was aware that PM and boy were in camp since he left his car by the gate. Says he did call camp re permission to bring boy to camp and said the no one on one rule didn't apply since they wouldn't be there on Scout business. Murphy thinks there may have been other visits???? Murphy thinks it unlikely that Ranger [REDACTED] knew. She told PM to contact me. I verified that an app't had been set up for tonight w/Council President. Per PM's version of original incident, [REDACTED] may not have been victim.

PM claims he and [REDACTED] shared sleeping bags. PM claims Tom Nye was aware PM was in tent w/the boys. Murphy is arranging another interview w/ [REDACTED] and will also interview [REDACTED]. Per Murphy, best for me to wait until she has talked to the boys before I contact their families.

9/19/88: Dr. Hering NI - MRC.

9/19/88: Ralph Howard (telecon). Updated him re above. He says to have letter with us at app't this evening. Listen, but make no accusations

9/19/88: telecon w/Paul Buckland. Updated him re status. He will notify Gene Cruise. We are terminating PM today and will forward appropriate paperwork.

9/19/88: telecon w/John Harbaugh. Updated re status. Yers to his request for him to notify District Commissioner Nick Wisda re basics of the incident as Nick will be involved in followup service to T60. John will remove PM from District Committee. Rod Streib from the District Committee was past SM of T60 and might be helpful re followup within the troop. Discussed potential reprimand for Tom Nye re slow disclosure.

9/19/88: Rhonda Werner - NAD/MRC.

9/19/88: Termination letter and registration check prepared. Bookkeeper and Registrar told to delete PM from roles, and all mailing lists, etc..

9/19/88: telecon w/Rhonda Werner. Re latest status and corrected report re key incident. If we hear of further incidents, we should pass them along to her, but Children's Services is unlikely to initiate an investigation of T60. Verified our previous discussion re some sort of general statement to youth membership of troop re child abuse in general, and that such should be reported. Also re alerting one or two key leaders within Troop re signs of abuse to be on the lookout for.

9/19/88: Steve Williams. Updated re status. Steve requested guidance re request by T60 SC, Ken Dupont for help re school boy tals and flyers re sign up night scheduled for 10/11. I will check w/troop when I advise them re need for new SM. I suggest going ahead if troop leadership feels they can handle the tranistion, etc. while bringing in new boys - best to get things on as normal a footing as possible. Note: [REDACTED] boy is [REDACTED] immediate past CC (CC change has taken place since 1/88).

9/19/88: telecon with Rev. Michael Weichers of Good Hope Lutheran Church, sponsor of T60. Briefed him re situation. He expressed concern that there might be other boys involved. He is aware of PM beign in building late at night w/boys. He will talk w/Rhonda re any concerns, etc.. We will work together re this problem - he wants Scouting to succeed at the Church after several years of decline. Ken Dupont is the SC and is the key person for me to deal with within the troop. Weichers knows the [REDACTED] boy personnally and says the boy is quiet and withdrawn. Rev. W. has my home and office number. His home number is [REDACTED]. If he hasn't heard anything, he will call me tommorrow re results of my meeting w/PM. He's agreeable to the proposed plan for dealing w/the troop. He is aware of need to hold off contacting [REDACTED] until after L.E. interview and PM until after tonight.

9/19/88: Ron Weisbrodt re PM's allegation of being in camp re another boy ([REDACTED] - name not used). He is not aware of PM beign in camp but will check. PM is not to be allowed on property in future.

9/19/88: telecon w/SC Ken Dupont. Briefed him re the situation, reminded him re need for confidentiality. He will call a meeting of the CC and SAs for 7:00 PM, 9/20 at the Church prior to the troop meeting I will be present (Pastor Mike's office). Briefly discussed followup with troop and leaders. Note: Ed Dulch is senior SA